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Ms Marlene H. Dortch Secretary, Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: WT Docket No. 04-70 - Ex Parte Communication

Dear Ms Dortch:

I recently received a copy of the letter (dated July 9, 2004) from the National Emergency Number Association ("NENA") to your office in support of the AT&T Wireless (AWS) / Cingular merger. I wish to express my support as well.

Presently I am a NENA member, Chairman of Alabama's Commercial Mobile Radio Service Board and Director of the Marshall County Public Safety Answering Point. I have worked with numerous cellular providers to bring enhanced 911 services to wireless users in my community. Both Cingular and AWS continue to make progress in their E9-1-1 deployment and are working diligently to meet their E9-1-1 Phase I and Phase II obligations.

I believe that the capabilities of each company to implement and improve E9-1-1 services will be strengthened by their merger and can see no adverse affect in the on-going deployment of E9-1-1 services. In fact, I feel that the PSAP community will benefit by the expanded footprint that result from the merger of these two wireless companies.

I appreciate the opportunity to express my views on this issue. Should you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me directly at 256-931-3911.

Johnny H. Hart Executive Director

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Sincerely

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